



Michael Dwain Council Sr

February 27, 1945 - December 13, 2017

Michael "Mike" Council, Sr., age 72, passed away on Dec. 13, 2017, from lung complications after having open heart surgery. He was preceded in death by his father Emmett "Bub", his mother Agnes, and his brother Emmett Council, Jr.

Mike was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend. He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Sonja; his son, Michael, Jr. and daughter-in-law, Robin; and three granddaughters, Makenzie, Madelynn, and Macey Council. He is also survived by his youngest son, Jason Emmett Council. Mike leaves two sisters, Betty Jo Council and Gail and brother-in-law, John Paulk; Mother-in law, Hilda Wilson; brothers-in-law, Karl (Doris) Wilson and Keith (Maxine) Wilson; his sisters-in-law Glenda Oliverio and Rosy Council; many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Mike was very proud of his family's heritage and long history in Ruskin. He was the third generation of Councils in Ruskin. Mike was a tomato grower for his family's agriculture and cattle business when Ruskin tomatoes were king. In 1986, the family business was sold and Mike continued in agriculture and was later joined by his two sons.

In his younger years, he loved to fish, hunt (although for many years he no longer hunted animals but preferred to see them in the wild), and camp with family and friends. He loved to see everyone, especially the kids, enjoying the outdoors. Mike will be remembered for these good times and for his love, honesty, generosity, humor, and his great laugh.

Mike's wish was for no weeping (although we can't quite follow that wish) and to think of the happy times. So, we will have a Celebration of Mike's life the way he always liked, outdoors surrounded by family, friends, and children. This will take place on Sunday, February 11, 2018, at the "DOUBLE D RANCH" 3308 Double D Ranch Trail, Ruskin, FL 33570. Family, friends, and acquaintances are invited to celebrate Mike's life with us and to share a story if they like, followed by fellowship and great food.

In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Mike may be made to The Salvation Army,

Disabled American Veterans, or a Ruskin charity of your choice.

Comments



“ Condolences to the family, mike was a good friend in high school, seldom seen in later years but when we did it was like old times. My uncle Leon worked for him for years

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December 21, 2017 at 12:04 AM